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PROPOSED DRAWING CORRECTION

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Sir:

Applicants request cancellation of the sole Figure in the application to facilitate compliance with the drawing requirements. No new matter is added by this amendment.

The substance of the Figure is described in detail in the specification. In particular, the Figure shows the results of a Western Blot analysis using a monoclonal antibody according to the invention and a polyclonal antibody known in the art. The specific results are described in detail in the specification at page 3, line 27 through 34, where it is said that:

the antibody according to the present invention recognises only one band while the polyclonal antibody detects further bands in the range of 90 to 50 kDa.H denotes HeLa cells and C denotes CHO cells.

The specific results of the Figure are also described at page 18, lines 26 through 34, where it is said that:

the polyclonal anti-Mcm3 rabbit antibody revealed, besides the expected prominent main protein band with an apparent molecular weight of 105 kDa, further proteins in the molecular weight range between 50 kDa and 90 kDa.

The monoclonal anti-Mcm3 antibody according to the invention revealed only the expected protein band with an apparent molecular weight of 105 kDa.

Thus, in view of the above detailed description appearing in the specification, to avoid needless duplication, Applicants request cancellation of the Figure. Acceptance of the proposed drawing correction is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendments to the Drawings:

Please cancel the sole Figure in the application.